



# State of Utah

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## INSPECTION REPORT

Partial: X Complete:    Exploration:     
Inspection Date & Time: February 28, 1996, 1:40 pm - 4:00 pm  
Date of Last Inspection: January 30, 1996

Mine Name: White Oak Mining and Construction Co. County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/001

Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Scofield Route, Helper, UT 84526

Business Address: SAME

Type of Mining Activity: Underground X Surface    Prep. Plant    Other   

State Official(s): Ken Wyatt

Company Official(s): Steve Tanner

Federal Official(s): None

Weather Conditions: Cold, cloudy, scattered snow

Existing Acreage: Permitted-    Disturbed-    Regraded-    Seeded-    Bonded-   

Increased/Decreased: Permitted-    Disturbed-    Regraded-    Seeded-    Bonded-   

Status: Exploration/ X Active/ Inactive/ Temporary Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture

Reclamation (   Phase I/    Phase II/    Final Bond Release/    Liability    Year)

### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

#### Instructions

1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  - a. For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
  - b. For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
2. Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
3. Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
4. Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. TOPSOIL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d. WATER MONITORING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. EXPLOSIVES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. NONCOAL WASTE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13. REVEGETATION	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) _____ (date)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



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PERMIT NUMBER: ACT/007/001

DATE OF INSPECTION: February 28, 1996

(Comments are Numbered to Correspond with Topics Listed Above)

**1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE**

A discussion was held with the operator in his office regarding the Division Order 95A which was issued on November 28, 1995. See discussion under part 6, Disposal of Excess Spoil/Fills/Benches.

**4a. DIVERSIONS**

The mine sediment pond was covered with ice and snow. Large piles of snow were observed stockpiled around the truck loading turn-around, at the turnoff from the Eccles Canyon Road and at various locations along the mine access road and at the loadout. No flows were observed in any of the diversions.

Snow has been stockpiled adjacent to the undisturbed diversions at the loadout. No snow was observed beyond the disturbed area in these diversions.

**6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES**

Division Order 95A was issued to White Oak on November 28, 1995. An informal hearing was held regarding this DO on January 15, 1996. During that meeting it was agreed that the material in question would be classified and permitted as spoil.

Mr. Tanner indicated that he would re-submit information to begin permitting this area as a temporary spoil storage site. In order to permit the area and to perform acid and toxic analysis of the material in question, samples would need to be taken for contaminate analysis and for engineering stability tests. An extension until March 11, 1996, was given to White Oak during this inspection. A copy of the most recent Division Order 95A response from White Oak was hand delivered to the Salt Lake City office.

Randy Harden, Reclamation Engineer for the Division, reviewed the submittal and indicated that approval was forthcoming on March 8, 1996. This should satisfy the requirements of the Division Order.

**16b. ROADS: DRAINAGE CONTROLS**

Snow continued to fall during this inspection. The road drainages within the permit area were frozen and snow covered. Two areas below the mine access road have avalanched since the previous inspection. The first area is directly above Eccles Creek east of the main turn off. This avalanche was about 200 - 300 feet wide. The second area was about mid way up to the mine site. This avalanche was about twenty feet wide and ran about fifty feet down slope. Both avalanches had about a two foot crown. No damage was caused by either avalanche.

Copy of this Report:

Mailed to: Steve Tanner, (White Oak) James Fulton, (OSM)  
Given to: Joe Helfrich, (DOGM) Filed To: Price Field Office

Inspector's Signature: Ken Wyatt Date: March 12, 1996